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IN THE CLAIMS

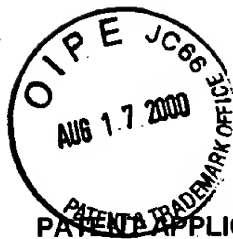
Claim 2, line 6, Change "(c)" to --(a)--;  
line 7, Change "(d)" to --(b)--.

Amend claim 9:

9. (Amended) In a packet communication network comprised of interconnected nodes arranged to transmit variable length packets to adjacent nodes, wherein each node includes a buffer for storing packets enroute from a source node to a destination node, a method of controlling the transmission of a packet p from a sending node  $X_\ell$  to a receiving node  $R_\ell$ , via a link  $\ell$ , said method comprising the steps of

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